



Instructions for Immigrant Visa Applicants

Rangoon

Unobtainable birth certificates

Your birth record may not be obtainable. Some reasons are listed below.

- Your birth was never officially recorded.
- Your birth records have been destroyed.
- The appropriate government authority will not issue one.

Please obtain a certified statement from the appropriate government authority stating the reason your birth record is not available. With the certified statement you *must* submit secondary evidence. For example:

- A baptismal certificate that contains the date and place of birth and both parent's names providing the baptism took place shortly after birth
- An adoption decree for an adopted child, or
- An affidavit from a close relative, preferably the applicant's mother, stating the date and place of birth, both parent's names, and the mother's maiden name.
- THE CITIZEN VERIFICATION CARD (NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD) ISSUED TO CITIZENS AND RESIDENT FOREIGNERS LISTS A PERSON'S NAME, ALIASES, DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, SOME ALSO INCLUDE THE FATHER'S NAME.
- SCHOOL DIPLOMAS (HIGHSCHOOL CERTIFICATES) SHOW THE NAME OF THE GRADUATE'S PARENTS.

Original Civil Documents

- Original Civil Documents submitted to NVC that are in the native language of the processing post and not accompanied by an English translation, must have a notation (in English) attached to each document which identifies the beneficiary name and the type of document (Birth Certificate, Marriage Certificate, Marriage Termination, Adoption, Police Certificate). This will enable NVC to confirm the correct document(s) has/have been submitted by all appropriate beneficiaries.